GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department – Disciplinary Proceedings initiated against Smt. V.Krishna Kumari, Retd. District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules,1991 – Allegations of non-implementation of the punishment orders against the Panchayat Secretary imposed by the Disciplinary Authority - Imposing a penalty of 'withholding of 5% pension permanently' - Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG-III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 939 **Dated: 28-11-2025**

1. From the District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam Dist., Lr.No.314092/2022 /P1, dt.11.05.2022.
2. From the Commissioner of Panchayat Raj, A.P.,Lr.No.1738873/CPR&RD/G1/ 2022, dt.18.01.2023.
3. G.O.Rt.No.921, PR&RD (Vig.III) Dept., dt.28.12.2023
4. G.O.Rt.No.625, PR&RD (Vig.III) Dept., dt.06.11.2024.
5. From the Commissioner of Panchayat Raj, A.P., Letter No.1738873/CPR&RD/ G1/2024, dt.27.11.2024 along with the explanation of Smt. V.Krishna Kumari, former District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam dist. (now retired), dt.23.02.2024.
6. From the CEO, Visakhapatnam, Lr.Rc.No.699/2025/P3/DPO-VK, dt.04.2025.
7. Govt. Memo. No. PRR01- 2010286/Vig.III/A1/2025, dt.30.04.2025.
8. Representation of Smt. V.Krishna Kumari, Retd. District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam dist., dt.16.06.2025.
9. Govt. Memo No.PRR01- 2010286/Vig.III/A1/2025, dt.17.07.2025.
10. Representation of Smt. V.Krishna Kumari, Retd. DPO., dt.06.11.2025.

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Based on the report submitted by the District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district in the reference 1st read above, the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj, A.P.` has furnished the draft Articles of Charges to Government to initiate disciplinary action against Smt. V.Krishna Kumari, former District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district (now retd.) on the allegations of posting Sri M. Satyaprasad, Panchayat Secretary Grade-l to Payakaraopet on deputation even after imposing major penalty for the irregularities committed by him while working in same Gram Panchayat i.e., Payakaraopet and non-implementation of the punishment orders against the Panchayat Secretary imposed by the Disciplinary Authority, in the reference 2nd read above.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, Government have framed Articles of Charges against Smt.V. Krishna Kumari, former District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district (now retd.) under Rule 20 (3) of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 as follows:

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Charge-1:

That Smt. V.Krishna Kumari, former District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district, presently working as District Gram Panchayat Officer, Dr. B.R.Ambedkar Konaseema district has acted against the orders of the Commissioner, PR&RD., and showed disobedience to the higher authorities in violation of the conduct rules as she has posted Sri M.Satya prasad, Panchayat Secretary Grade-I to the same Gram Panchayat i.e.,Payakaraopet on deputation even after imposing of major penalty by the Commissioner, PR&RD., on him in a disciplinary case during the year 2021 for the irregularities committed by him while working in same Gram Panchayat i.e., Payakaraopet. Thus violated Rule 3 of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Charge-2:

That Smt. V.Krishna Kumari, former District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district,'presently working as District Gram Panchayat Officer, Dr. B.R.Ambedkar Konaseema'district has not implemented the orders of the Commissioner, PR&RD., imposing major.penalty under APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 against Sri. M.Satyaprasad, Panchayat Secretary Grade-I and not even communicated the orders imposing penalty to him. Thus, violated Rule 3 of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Charge-3:

ln Hon'ble Lokayukta, a complaint No. 773/2017/B2 was filed regarding unauthorized constructions in Payakaraopet Gram Panchayat during the period of Sri M.Satya Prasad, Panchayat Secretary Grade-I and the Hon'ble Lokayukta has sent reminders frequently on action taken report. The Lokayukta case is still pending due to non-implementation of punishment orders issued to the Panchayat Secretary. Hence, the District Panchayat Officer shown dereliction of duties in implementing the orders of the higher authorities and to submit the action taken report. As a result, action taken report could not be submitted to the Hon'ble Lokayukta in the above complaint. Thus, violated Rule 3 of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

3. As no explanation was received from the Charged Officer within stipulated period, the Government in the reference 4th read above, have issued orders appointing Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Visakhapatnam as Inquiry Officer to conduct detailed inquiry against the Charged Officer on the charges framed against her and Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Visakhapatnam as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiry Officer.

4. In the reference 6th read above, the Chief Executive Officer & Inquiry Officer, ZPP, Visakhapatnam has submitted the Inquiry Report duly stating that (2) charges (Charges II & III) were held proved out of (3) charges framed against the Charged Officer.

5. In the reference 7th read above, the Inquiry Report was communicated to the Charged Officer under rule 21(2) of A.P.C.S (CCA) Rules, 1991 to submit her explanation. In the reference 8th read above, the individual has submitted her explanation on the Inquiry Report.

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6. After examining the Inquiry Report of the Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Visakhapatnam, with reference to the explanation submitted by the Charged Officer and material available on record, Government have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of 'withholding of 5% pension permanently' on the Charged Officer i.e., Smt.V. Krishna Kumari, Retd. District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district under Rule 9 of A .P Revised Pension Rules, 1980 since the (2) charges were held proved.

7. As envisaged in Rule 9 (2) (a) of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980, i n the reference 9th read above, a show cause notice duly indicating the quantum of punishment was served on the Accused Officer. In the reference 10th read above, the Charged officer has submitted the explanation to Show Cause Notice.

8. Government after examining the explanation of the Charged Officer, decided to impose a penalty of 'withholding of 5% Pension permanently' on the Charged Officer Smt. V.Krishna Kumari, Retd. District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district.

9. Having consideration of facts of the case, Government hereby impose penalty of 'withholding of 5% Pension permanently' against Smt. V.Krishna Kumari, Retd. District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rule, 1980 on the proven allegation of non implementation of the punishment orders against the Panchayat Secretary imposed by the Disciplinary Authority while functioning as District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district.

10. The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, A.P., Tadepalli shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt. V.Krishna Kumari, Retd. District Panchayat Officer, Visakhapatnam district through the Commissioner, PR&RD., Tadepalli.
The Commissioner, PR&RD., A.P., Tadepalli.
Copy to:
The Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Vijayawada.
The Pay & Accounts Officer, A.P., Mangalagiri
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A .P., Mangalagiri.
The OSD to Hon'ble Dy.Chief Minister (PR&RD).
The P.S to Prl.Secretary to Govt., PR&RD dept.
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